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fore you die; some-
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\$6 a week in your own town, \$5 out-

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PROBATE NOTICE.—State of Michigan—
County of Crawford—ss.At a session of the Probate Court for the
County of Crawford, held in the Probate Office in
the village of Grayling on Saturday the twenty-
sixth day of May, in the year one thousand eight
hundred and eighty-three.

Present, Asst. Tayor, Judge of Probate,

and the master of the Estate of John Costello,
deceased.

On reading and after the petition, due recd.

Costello praying that the residue of

his estate may be assigned to him.

Thereupon it is ordered that Thursday the 2nd

day of June, at two o'clock p. m., the date of

and the heirs of said deceased, and other

persons interested in said estate, are reque-

sted to appear at the Probate Office in the

village of Grayling, and show cause why

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The Avalanche

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN.

A BIT OF SCANDAL.

BY KATE SEAFARER.

Ah, yes, it sounded well—
Your just indignation to tell—
They thought he was so good, you see,
What scandal could more please them?
And so they passed the time about—
With many a wine and a cigar,
Told what he heard and what he saw,
And said "would surely go to law."

And now 'twas a nod, not the smile
That once helped to cheer and begot,
From the sorrows we all must bear.
While in this life we hold a share,
And come staved, passing coldly on,
While but a few with trusting grace
Hold the usual friendly hand.

A very trifling thing, my friend;
But then those little things offend,
Crush the joy of many a heart,
Sometimes most bitter grief impart,
There's not a soul, however black,
That does all truth and goodness lack—
Then those who brought this one to woe,
Might yet serve you the same, you know.
Suppose you tried to find some good,
As most surely I think you could,
And told it for once in a way,
Leaving out the vicious "they say."
Not only hath wealth the power,
To cheer thee in grieves dark hour,
For even a smile will uphold
The soul that doubtless fears to fall.

NONE SO BLIND.

When Capt. Thompson built a modest seaside dwelling he had no end of wife's sisters coming to stay with him.

He liked it, or them, some of them; if only one would come at a time. He was too old to enjoy the stiff breeze such a company created. He preferred Bella. I prefer her myself. She may be 26—a sensible, graceful woman.

Where pretty sisters are somebody's nice brothers will be. Older men and graver came to smoke with the Captain. One of them was a Royal McMillian, who had fallen into a rare kind of man, they said.

The ride in his affairs that leads to fortune had not long been flood; but he took frequent periods of what more ambitious men would call spendthrift recreation. Being a homeless man, without ties, he was easily persuaded by a merry-hearted Mrs. Thompson to stay with them awhile, then another while; then all the while he pleased. He was certainly a pillar of support where the girls were concerned, one to whom nothing was a trouble or difficulty—a born man of affairs. The girls, admiring his stately figure, charming temper, and—the income, were inclined to love him also; even the more when he evidently detected this disposition, and was amused by it. But at last drawn off in other ways, they left him to himself, unless when he now and then fell to the games when Mrs. Thompson did not go.

Well as they knew each other it was a rare occurrence to be walking, as they were on a certain superb morning on the hard sands, the long, green rollers breaking twenty feet away at their right, five miles before them, of delightful footing, the light-house the goal. They were friendly enough to talk or not, as they pleased, and as Bella was the only one who had not sought or avoided him, he felt easy in her presence; so easy that, like his old jacket, he didn't think about it.

At first they talked of the West, and McMillian, who was sometimes retrospective when he could get any one to listen, had been rather unmerciful in anecdotes of his boyhood, when he suddenly broke a long silence by saying:

"Is there anything more idiotic than the behavior of two people under the delusion called love? Look at the couple before us. They have forgotten we are behind, or do they suppose they are acting like civilized beings?"

"An old maid is idyllic," she said. "To me it is touching." But she said, "I never gave a suppressed exclamation of contagious mirth, in which he joined."

"Is it anything particular, Miss Summers?"

"I was reminded of something."

"So was I; do you know, I feel convicted by secret guilt? I suspect we have both been fools. If you will not laugh much, I should like to tell a kind of adventure of my own."

"I can sympathize to any extent in a romance."

"I suppose you will call it a romance. I wonder myself how it ever could have happened. It was at the Centennial. I had been lounging about the ground all day. I delighted in the people, and was resting on a shady bench, when there appeared a remarkable pair—father and daughter, I concluded. They too, sat down to rest. He was a distinguished-looking man, with white mustaches; she the most beautiful girl I ever saw in my life. Your pretty sister Eve reminds me of her sometimes, but this was a creature divine. I sat and devoured her with my western gaze, while her companion asked me some questions. And when she turned her eyes full on mine, as she did, presently, I went down—under the water." He stopped.

"Go on," said she.

"May I have a cigar, Miss Summers?"

"I was going to suggest it."

"Well, I do not know how to go on without giving you the idea that she was too easily won. You Northern women are frosty, and—perhaps you cannot understand?"

"I do, perfectly."

"I was able to be of some service to her guardian, and we were constantly

together after that first day. He soon found out all about me, and he even let me will her for hours. I reached a desperate point that week."

"Did you not know her name?"

"The old gentleman gave me his card, and though I have it yet I have never been able to read that name. It was a foreign one, and scrawled abominably. I said something as near as I could get, and was never corrected. She took the card and wrote 'Sylvilla' and Sylvilla I called her. I made a few attempts to find out about them; but our time was short, and she plainly told me she did not wish me to know who they were. I was to take the present and be patient. It was useless to love her, she said; she was bound by obligations she could not break. If I would be obedient, she would explain before we parted. So one day we left Monseur sitting in the Spanish office, and, with his consent, went rambling off by ourselves.

"She was studying to be a singer. She had a voice that promised to be fortune. Her stepfather was educating her, as a speculation, I think, and was taking care of her family. She had signed papers binding her to certain promises. Any consideration of love was a breach of contract. I must see it would distract her; for that reason I must know nothing about her. She was ambitious, and believed she had a magnificent future before her; and I believed it, too. When the goal was reached, she said, and if I wished, she would send me word. I saw her was right, but I was human and miserable, and—how sweet and tender, she was!"

"And is that the end?" asked Bella, who was thinking she must seem very old and aunt-like to this man, or he would never have confided so foolish an escape.

"I have never seen her since."

"You are still expecting it?"

"You do not know what I expect. I have been to Europe three times. I am 17 or so, and of the kind of beauty that might be of any age. The world would be ringing with her name if she were before it."

"You would know her again?"

"Know her?" he exclaimed, looking down at her. "How strange a question! Here is the hulk of an old boat. Miss Summers, you look flushed and tired. Will you sit down? I do not dare ask you what you think about the piece of foolishness?"

"It is just that, isn't it?" Then he looked disappointed. "It is very pretty you know." That was not what she wished to say, either, so she went right on:

"She would be 25 or more if she is living."

"She isn't dead," he exclaimed. "There was a promise about that. She has no husband, some Prince or Worman. I have about 500 photographs of the great ladies abroad, not one of her."

"She may have lost her voice; she may be poor with that family she has told you of, and too proud, in such a case, to send you any message."

"That idea has never occurred to me, but I am rich now; I could assume any obligations."

"I hardly like to suggest it, for it may be a mistake, and cause annoyance," Bella began. She turned her head so he could not see her face very clearly. "But such a person I once knew about. She answers your descriptions in some ways—the time, the age, the voice—but she was ill and lost it."

"Not married?"

"No; do not be so eager about it. Mr. McMillian; you are indeed a boy. It is only a suggestion that may lead to nothing, or worse, to disappointment. You know I have had a good deal of experience, and since you have told me the story you must have a little advice too. She has probably changed in many ways—in face, you may be sure; for such beauty as you describe is all light and color, and goes. You are not the same either. You have different tastes and opinions. Six years is a lifetime at that age. You were younger than your years then; you have made your fortune since. Don't you know Capt. Thompson thinks there were never such pumpkin pies as his mother used to make, nor such ginger-bread, and do we not know it is unappreciably eating better every day of his life?" He did not seem to heed this wisdom much.

"I shall not be easy until this thing is settled one way or the other. I must see for myself. Will you give me this information?"

"When we reach the house," she answered.

"If you could do it now I might be able to leave to-night," he said.

She took the note-book he had opened and wrote a few lines in it. She knew that he would soon come to a blank wall in his search for the same, but this was a creature divine.

"I was of the Centennial that month," she suggested gently.

"Everybody was, I think," said he looking out at sea.

Bella sighed. "A cigar is a great comfort, isn't it?" she remarked; but he did not hear her; his head was in his hands. She, perceiving that he had forgotten her, let her eyes dwell on him. A light came into them, her cheeks glowed, the repressed, resigned look of a woman grieved passed away. She was again 18, and wilfully indisposed. But, yes, she would do the same again for just that happy week.

"Well," said he, presently, "shall we go on?"

"When at length the straggling party

reached the home piazza, McMillan said to Bella:

"I find I can make the 6 o'clock train, so I'll say good-by. If I have a guardian angel, that being none have inspired me to tell you my story."

"Perhaps it was your bad angel, said she, sedately.

"You are not encouraging. Well, again good-by."

She saw him drive off with Capt. Thompson, and then locked herself in her room, and wept all the tears had been keeping back since she parted from him in the gardens of the Centennial.

"Would you have told if you had been she?

"HANDBY ONE ARMED MEN.

He was a big man with heavy side-whiskers and a military air that betokened long service under fire, and the slab of meat at his right side told of a one-armed man. The empty sleeve that hung at his right side told of glory sought and of peril undergone. He was seated in an Eighth-street restaurant, leisurely breakfasting and going through the motions of the meal with a graceful ease that betokened a man of high breeding.

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THE NEWS.

Intelligence by Wire from All the World.

FOREIGN.

A virulent disease has broken out in Damietta, which some practitioners call cholera, while others regard it as a very dangerous form of fever. Under whatever name it may be known, it is very contagious. Consumption with the outside world, either by vessel or by rail, has been cut off for prudential reasons.

The Queen's condition is greatly improved. She was able to walk from the train to the carriage on her arrival at Windsor from Balmoral. The Queen has invited the Prince of Wales to take her life-sized portrait, which she will present to Emperor William on the twenty-sixth anniversary of his assumption of the regency of Prussia.

Another batch of 100 poor-house immigrants from Swindon have been sent to Queenstown for shipment to the United States.

Lorillard's horses have been shipped to the United States.

Gen. Sir Edward Sabine, President of the British Royal Society, is dead aged 85.

Several parades postponed during a fire on the island of Gutniewsky, at the mouth of the Neva, in Russia.

Reports from China say the new tea crop is of good quality.

Joseph Cowen, a Radical member of the British House of Commons, gave notice of an inquiry whether Irish prisoners had been sent out to the United States with the knowledge and consent of the British government.

Cable dispatches report that the panic over the plague in Egypt has spread throughout Europe. The German Government has sent medical experts to Alexandria to investigate and report whether the fatal malady now raging there is veritable cholera.

The Turkish, French, Italian, and Austrian Governments have ordered strict quarantine against all vessels arriving from African ports.

A dispatch from Damietta says that city is being rapidly deserted. All steamship berths for a week hence are already engaged. One hundred and eighty refugees from there are quarantined in the vicinity of Port Said. Many fatal cases of cholera are reported from Port Said, Rosetta, and Mansurah. A commission has been formed, to provide means for protecting Alexandria against the malady.

The bill permitting marriage with a deceased wife's sister, was defeated in the British House of Lords by a close vote.

The report that the Tropican difficulty between France and China had been settled without foundation. The two nations are apparently far apart as ever.

An English proposal to apply for admission to the Postal Union. Bolivia only remained to be heard from.

Trevelyan, the Irish Chief Secretary, delayed in the House of Commons that any papers had been shipped to America by the Government, and said those sent by the Commissioners had been supplied with funds.

Numerous visits have been made at Berlin, Dresden, and Cologne on account of a conspiracy to betray secrets relative to the army of Germany. An Austrian officer was seized at Nuremberg with strategical plans on his person.

FINANCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL.

L. E. Day & Co., carpet dealers in Milwaukee, have suspended payment on about \$700,000 of liability.

The failure of McGeough, Everingham & Co., who collapsed in a panic attempt to cover the hard market, turns out to have been a worse one than at first represented. The receiver reports the liabilities at more than \$600,000, while there were less than \$500,000 of assets.

Book & Johnson, boot and shoe dealers, of Akron, Ohio, have made an assignment. Liabilities \$1,000,000; assets \$1,000.

Forgerne Bros., tobacco, whisky and Western produce dealers of New Orleans, have failed. Liabilities \$10,000.

H. W. Wright, lumber manufacturer at Merrill, Wis., has made an assignment. It is stated creditors will be paid 75¢ in the dollar, and will require at least \$300,000.

A comparative statement of pa'ents issued during the first half of the calendar years 1882 and 1883 has been prepared, which shows an increase in patents of 21 percent. In designs, 36 per cent.; in labels, 27 per cent.; in trademarks, a decrease of 12 per cent., and in releases a decrease of 45 per cent.

One thousand employees of the steel works at Bethlehem, Pa., struck for an increase of wages, to equalize their pay with that of other mills in the same region. Three hundred Chinese immigrants of San Francisco struck for an increase of 20 cents per day.

Samuel Semple's thread and cotton works at Mount Holly, N. J., were attached for debts amounting to \$140,000.

There is a genial and cheering outlook for the growing grain in Minnesota and Dakota. On the Pacific coast the wheat has been injured somewhat by the heat. The barley crop will be an immature one, and fruit promises well. In Tennessee wheat has been damaged by rust, corn is doing well, fruit will be short and clover, hay and oats are in poor condition.

PERSONAL.

President Arthur intends soon to leave Washington for three months. He desires to visit Newport, the Yellowstone Park, the Louisville Exposition, and take a trip over the Northern Pacific road.

Col. D. B. Parker, a prominent official in the Postoffice Department, has been appointed Postmaster at Washington.

Dr. Frederick Knapp, a famous New Orleans dentist, is dead.

Stephen Alexander, LL.D., who had been connected with Princeton College for half a century, died last week at the age of 78.

The marriage of Lieut. Hunt, of the navy, to Miss Drum, daughter of Adj. Gen. Drum, occurred last week at Washington. President Arthur, Secretary and Mrs. Lincoln, and Secretary and Mrs. Chandler were present, as were also most of the prominent army and navy officers stationed at the capital.

George Schrecker, at Celina, Ohio, on a wager, ate three and a half pounds of dried beef and one loaf of bread, and drank three glasses of beer, three glasses of whisky, three cups of coffee, and three glasses of water. He still lives.

David B. Parker has declined the appointment of postmaster at Washington, and will retain his position as Chief of Postal Inspectors.

POLITICAL.

The Washington correspondent of the St. Louis *Globe-Democrat* telegraphs as follows: "During the recent Mar-tor-to trial it was stated that ex-Senator Dorsey would print certain documents and letters in his possession relative to the Garfield Presidential election and the formation of the Garfield Cabinet. This correspondence is alleged to be of a treasonable character. A

good deal of this censure has been heavily discounted. It is known here, however, that Dorsey is now being negotiated with by a New York paper, and that all the writings relative to the celebrated Garfield-Congdon compact will be reproduced in the columns of the journal that published the Dorsey letter. Dorsey has held these papers 'secretly' until now, when he feels that he owes nothing to the party that has rewarded him with disgrace."

The effect of the President's order in regard to the Internal Revenue service is to reduce the total number of collection districts from 12 to 8, a reduction of 40 in stead of 44, as heretofore erroneously announced. The following statement shows the number of districts reduced in each State and Territory:—Alabama, 1; Nevada, 1; Connecticut, 1; Georgia, 1; Dakota, 1; Wyoming, 1; Arizona, 1; Pennsylvania, 1; Virginia, 2; North Carolina, 1; Tennessee, 1; Kentucky, 2; Ohio, 4; Indiana, 2; Illinois, 2; Michigan, 2; Wisconsin, 2; Iowa, 1; Massachusetts, 1; New York, 5; Washington Territory, 1; New Jersey, 1; Idaho, 1; Montana, 1; Minnesota, 1; total 45. It is probable that the transfer of offices cannot be effected before the 1st of August. An annual saving of \$200,000 will result from the reduction.

The Minneapolis Journal nominates Phil Sheridan for President.

The President has ordered the internal revenue collection districts reduced from 180 to eighty-two, to take effect July 1.

In the fourth ballot for United States Senator at Concord, N. H., Rollins, Republican, had 104, and Blinn, Democrat, 117, 16 being necessary to a choice.

Gov. Cleveland's friends are endeavoring to place the coming National Democratic Convention at Saratoga, but the Representatives of the Iroquois Club, of Chicago, have met with such success that they are confident of securing the honor for the Western metropolis.

The Iowa Republicans met in convention at Des Moines, and was temporarily presided over by Hon. John A. Hanson, Col. D. B. Henderson being made permanent Chairman. Gov. Sherman and Lieut. Gov. Manning were nominated. Judge Deed, of Council Bluffs, was placed on the ticket for the Supreme Bench, and John W. Axine for Superintendent of Public Instruction. Among the Vice Presidents of the convention was Addison Rhodes, a negro who had been sold on the auction block. The Republicans of Minnesota assembled at St. Paul and renominated Gov. Hubbard. C. A. Gilman was nominated for Lieutenant Governor. Fred Vorbaum, for Secretary of State, Charles Kitchell for Treasurer, W. J. Hahn for Attorney General and J. H. Baker, Railroad Commissioner.

An English proposal to apply for admission to the Postal Union. Bolivia only re-

mained to be heard from.

Trevelyan, the Irish Chief Secretary, delayed in the House of Commons that any papers had been shipped to America by the Government, and said those sent by the Commissioners had been supplied with funds.

Numerous visits have been made at Berlin, Dresden, and Cologne on account of a conspiracy to betray secrets relative to the army of Germany. An Austrian officer was seized at Nuremberg with strategical plans on his person.

GENERAL.

Contributions toward a pedestal for the Bartholdi statue of Liberty, at New York, have been made by several representative men of Ohio, and the committee reports the possession of over \$100,000, with which to commence the enterprise.

The question of assisted immigration was considered by the Cabinet, resulting in an order to the Collector of Customs at New York to co-operate with the Commissioners of Immigration and prevent the landing of paupers, or have them sent back to foreign ships.

Reports come from Berks county, Pa., that a green worm, which has not appeared before for twenty-five years, is at work among the wheat fields, eating off the heads.

There were 165 business failures in the United States for the week ending July 16, being thirteen less than the preceding week, but more than in the corresponding period in 1882. For the first half year the failures numbered 4,637, with total liabilities of \$60,000,000, while in the same time last year the total suspensions were 2,57, and the liabilities aggregate \$19,000,000.

R. H. Kirby, wholesale hardware merchant of Montreal, has failed for \$125,000.00 of debts.

The Supreme court in Ohio, in the Scott law, holds that legislative power ample to make laws absolutely prohibiting all traffic in intoxicating liquors. Saloon-keepers all over the State are paying the tax under protest. The City Council at Columbus finds that the receipts will support the police and poor departments.

A general convention was held in Indianapolis, last week, to organize a company and fund \$300,000,000 of stock to build double-track narrow-gauge roads from New York to San Francisco and from Chicago to New Orleans.

A recumbent figure of Gen. Robert E. Lee was unveiled at Lexington, Va. Wade Hampton was Chief Marshal, Gen. Early presiding officer, and John W. Daniel orator of the day.

Harvard beat Yale easily in an eight-card race of four miles at New London, Ct.

The residence of the late Cornelius J. Vanderbilt at Hartford, which cost \$25,000, was sold at auction for \$40,000 to W. H. Epcott, of Bristol, R. I.

Commander Mallon has been sentenced to imprisonment for a newspaper he for

denounced the United States navy for being instrumental in getting him sent to prison.

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The members of a newspaper staff in Boston have been tried for blackmail, and four of them are sentenced to imprisonment for from one to six years.

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Some men are always like dev'le hole, on their backs, and they are never satisfied.

How you found Longitude out. Please got a rule and measure dot.

Minig. S. J. Shuford was a tog star. He was a shky tanner.

In about half pound of prouty you got more as load of manure.

Dutch Hant-eulis—Pretzels. Dinks to-morrow and speak yesterday.

A wise fadder makes der boy get sum.

Dond shwore, und der tuyel got ashamed about you.

Please lass your outside in when a fool speaks, and talk mit a tie about his honesty, und you got em both on your bosom.

God was give a man a coulles eyes und one tongue, on account he wants you to look a couple times out before you speak once.—Carl. Pretzel's Weekly.

The Minneapolis Tribune says that goats are the best land-cleaners known.

It says that a herd of 1,000 entirely cleared 500 acres of brush land in three years. Not a vestige of undergrowth was left.

Lived sechs hundte and constipation caused by her digestion quickly cured by Brown's Iron Bitter.

town, four bullets being put through his head to make death a reasonable certainty. His accomplice, Loy, had been lynched the day previous.

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A dispute over a land boundary at Colleville, Ala., was appealed to the shot gun. A. B. Hall killed Bob Mullens and fatally wounded John Mullens. The latter had sufficient strength left to dispatch Hall and his father.

At Lampasas, Texas, Mrs. C. H. Rose, a morphine-eater, shot herself dead in bed. Her husband heard the report of the revolver and instantly followed her example, dying beside her.

The defiant spirit shown by organized desperadoes in Garland, Tex., and other counties of Arkansas forced Gov. Berry to issue a special proclamation to Sheriff W. H. Brantley, *Detrit. Mich.*

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Jos. Blevins, Ludington, says: Brown's Iron Bitters is a good tonic, and worth double the money asked for it.

Our band did honor to themselves and to the city yesterday by their excellent music and deportment.

O. J. Smith, of Kalkaska county, came over to celebrate. He reports crop in fine condition in his section.

Coleman, Son & Fisher, Kalamazoo, Mich., say: "We are confident that Brown's Iron Bitters has merit."

Lemonade, peanut and fruit stands were abundant yesterday and the calling of the vendors reuladed one of older places.

Mr. Eller Lewis, of Ingham county, has completed a house on sec. 26 of this township and taken possession of his new home. He is welcome.

Not a case of intoxication, not a quarrel, not a shadow of ill-feeling manifested in our city yesterday. An order-loving and order-keeping community.

A visit to the farms of Messrs. Feltham, Smith, and Tarbell Brothers, on the road east will convince the most skeptical that farming on the plains is a success.

Two weeks ago our county was astirred up over the prospect of an addition to the court house. Has the project died or is it only sleeping while we celebrate?

Services at the school house will be held as usual next Sunday. Rev. E. W. Wheeler, of Cedar Springs, will occupy the desk in the morning. All kindly invited.

The quarterly meeting of the M. E. church last Sunday was conducted by presiding Elder Richards, who is ever welcome here by his friends both in and out of the church.

A letter received from L. Jenison a few days since reports a prosperous journey to Montana, where he then was. He has probably reached Washington Territory ere this.

Mrs. A. Curran, of Center Plains, after a three or four weeks absence in St. Louis trying the virtues of the mineral waters at that point, returned Monday and reports finding relief.

Strangers who are visiting our city that are skeptics concerning the production of the soil should be taken to the farm of A. J. Rose just north of the school house, or to Wm. Brink on the south side.

It is understood that work on the new church, which has been somewhat delayed for lack of funds, will be at once resumed and pushed to an early completion, arrangements having been perfected to that end.

A number of the readers of the AVALANCHE who have received the paper for two years or over without paying for it, will be surprised at not receiving it next week. We cannot afford to send it for fun, and propose to have our money.

Rev. S. Finn, of Royal Oak, Mich., officiated at the funeral services of Thomas Shoppennegans last Sunday, and preached at the spa house in the evening, in the absence of Rev. Mr. Putman. Mr. Finn is the guest of his son, J. M.

If there be anyone who thinks wheat culture is not a success in this country, we invite them to a visit on the farm of H. Schreiber, in the township of Grove, where they will find two fields which are exceeded by but few in Michigan.

H. C. McKinley, Esq., who is making the local of the Otego Herald more noisy and lively than ever, passed the Sabbath with his family on his home-stead. He made the AVALANCHE office a fraternal call on Monday. He is ever welcome.

On and after October 1, 1883, letter postage will be two cents for each half ounce or fractional part thereof, between all points in the United States. The rate will be the same as drop letters and air letters. No changes have been made in rates on other classes of matter.

Mr. Joseph Sewell wishes to announce to the people of Pere Cheney and surrounding country that he has in stock a general assortment of Dry Goods, Clothing, Groceries, etc., which he is disposing of at the lowest prices for cash. Give him a call and be convinced.

Mrs. A. C. Wilson and children, of Pere Cheney, were guests of Dr. and Mrs. Davis over the Fourth.

Rev. and Mrs. E. W. Wheeler, of Cedar Springs, Mich., are in the city, guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wright Hinves.

Mr. Douglass Prosser, of Hillsdale, this State, 4th of Julyed in this city. He was a guest of his sister, Mrs. C. E. Strunk.

Messrs. Medealf and Marsh, young citizens of Center Plains, were the proprietors of the well-patronized stand just west of the post office on the 4th.

Mr. C. S. Hyde, engaged on the Northern Indiana School Journal, published at Valparaiso, is in the city today. He is a guest of M. J. Conine, Esq.

Mr. Sidney Cleggert departs for Royal Oak to-night on a two or three weeks visit among relatives and friends. The many friends of "Syd" wishes him an agreeable time.

Rev. S. Finn, after a pleasant sojourn of a week or two among us, departs for his home in Royal Oak to-night. The Rev. gentleman expresses himself well pleased with this section of country, and thinks he will return here again at no distant day.

The veteran river guide, R. S. Babbit, has already conducted parties down the Au Sable and the Manistee, and has several engagements for this month. He seems to have some special arrangements with the grayling, as his parties are always successful.

The old school house has been purchased by the township and moved onto the lot east of the former site and turned a quarter round so it faces the court house square. It will be thoroughly repaired and will make a respectable and much-needed town house.

Our city has so increased in population during our absence this spring that we feel like a stranger in a strange land. We are getting need to our work again and hope now to have some time to devote to the social pleasures of life. Call in, gentlemen, and see how we like each other.

J. M. Jones, Esq., received on Saturday a crate of strawberries from Cheesecake, which for size and quality would be hard to excel. One berry weighed 322 grains and measured 4.4 inches in circumference. They were sent by Mr. Crofoot, father of Mrs. Jones. Ye printers were well remunerated.

Last Saturday, Philip Mosher, Jr. and his brother, near Olio, Genesee county, were struck by lightning. Philip was on horseback, and was hit in the head. He lay in an insensible condition for several hours. His brother was only injured slightly in the foot, both are now pronounced out of danger.

Messrs. Salling, Hanson & Co. are pushing matters on Portage Lake with their usual vigor. Their boat is already launched and will soon be plowing the waters. It is 50 feet over all, with 12 feet beam and will be propelled by an upright engine, 8x10, which works a 31 feet screw. We are waiting for an invitation to ride.

The logging railroad from Portage Lake to the Manistee river, put in by Salling, Hanson & Co. is completed and they are running through trains. Logs will begin to move in a few days. The stationary engine which takes the logs from the lake onto the cars is to be utilized, when not at work for that purpose, in the manufacture of shingles.

"W. C. Montgomery and lady took a drive out to pay a visit to Hubbard Head, South Branch township, Crawford county, and while hitching up preparatory to returning home, in adjusting the harness Mr. Head in some way started the mare, which kicked viciously at him, striking him in the region of the abdomen, but being nearly out-of-reach he was apparently not seriously injured. It was a narrow escape nevertheless.—Ward's paper.

On Monday we were quietly at work in our sanctum when our mind was disturbed by a gentle undulating motion of the building, which upon investigation proved to be moving under the direction of our new landlord, Dr. Roffe, who has decided that we need more room and is therefore preparing to put an addition on the south end and west side of the office for our accommodation. We think he is correct and will tell our readers all about it when complete.

If there is ever anything done of a public nature, which is of no special private benefit, it usually fails to the lot of some one public-spirited man to do the work. Thus with our celebration, which has proved so unsuccessful Hon. J. O. Hadley has devoted himself to the work in such a manner as to deserve the thanks of the entire community. He has been ably assisted by the other members of the committee, but we think all will acknowledge that he has ever been at the front.

In connection with his furniture business N. B. Traver of this place has taken the agency for tombstones and monuments from some of the largest and most reliable marble dealers in the country. He is also agent for the Detroit White Bronze Monument Co.

These goods are equally neat and attractive in style and far more durable than marble, and only cost about half the price. Samples can be seen at his Furniture rooms. All who are in need of any of this class of goods should call and see sample and get prices.

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in addition, to each purchaser of one of these packages a large 32 page novel is given free. These packages are left unsealed so that they may be examined before purchasing. Price 25 cents. Call and see them.

ATHLETIC SPORTS which were greatly enjoyed by the crowd. Our space forbids more than mere mention of the prize winners, as follows:

GOLF SHOOTING.

Dr. Gilbert, of Bay City. Foot race, free for all—J. M. Finn. Foot race, boys under 16—"Jimmy Hartwick.

Throwing heavy hammer—Dr. Gilbert.

Standing jump—Will McCullough. Running jump—Will McCullough. Running hop, skip and jump—Will McCullough.

Running high jump—Odele.

Egg Race—M. Bates, 1st; L. Clemons, 2d.

Tub race—Park Whipple.

Horse race—E. Purchase.

The grand Indian dance was a success, and witnessed with interest by the crowd. Not so many Indians were present as were expected, but an exhibition of the war dance, pipe dance, medicine dance and oxen dance elicited great applause.

Mr. "Gus" gave an exhibition on the trapeze which proved him a muscular expert, and he also delighted the people by eating while lying on the bottom of the river in about five feet of water.

The pyrotechnic display was more than was expected and would delight an audience in any city. It was concluded by the ascent of a dozen balloons, which were watched till they disappeared in the darkness of distance.

The theatrical performance was well attended and gave good satisfaction, while the dance that followed was satisfactory in all respects and enjoyed till morning.

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